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NOTE AND COMMENT

It is strange, after the two parties at Ottawa have come to a perfect agreement as to what Canada's policy in regard to imperial defence should be, that various organizations, more or less representative of the opinion of their different communities, should keep up an agitation for other measures than those that are proposed. One of the latest to pass a resolution on the subject is the Edmonton Canadian Club, which went on record last Saturday evening. The action of the House of Commons was approved but this rider was attached:

"And, in addition to this, as a fitting inauguration of Canada's participation in Imperial naval defence, and from considerations of high strategy—giving notice to the world at large of the solidarity of the empire—that Canada do now offer to the British navy a battleship of the 'Dreadnought' type."

The Canadian Club was poorly advised when it passed the above. Such action on the part of Canada would be contrary to the whole spirit of Canadian development and fly in the face of the opinions of all who have had to deal at first hand with the problems involved and have given them the study and thought that they require. We have to recognize that in Canada we are gathering together from all parts of the world the elements of a great nation and if we are to make the most of our task we must consider the position of fellow-citizens to whom the claims of imperialism do not make the same appeal as they do to those of us who have sung "Rule Britannia" from our earliest days. But leaving all this aside, we find that this rider of the Canadian Club's resolution is opposed to the ideas of the most thoroughgoing and at the same time thoughtful imperialists. Was not there just a large proportion of loyal sons of the Empire among the members of the House of Commons when they passed their unanimous resolution last week as there was among the members of the Canadian Club?

The difference is that one was a responsible and the other largely an irresponsible body. To the Saturday News the speeches delivered by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Foster in the debate in question on the necessity of keeping the control of all Canadian expenditure in the hands of a Canadian parliament were absolutely convincing. But if these gentlemen are not strong enough imperialists to satisfy our local friends, take the opinion of a Canadian, who has for forty years in season and out of season used his voice and his pen to strengthen the imperial connection.

"It is known that from the outset," Sir Charles Tupper declared recently, "I have felt the interests of Canada and the true interests of the Empire to be opposed to the demand for colonial contributions to the Imperial navy and I maintain that Canada has discharged that duty in a manner most conducive to the imperial interests."

Or take British Imperialist opinion. Can anyone more representative of the movement in its latter-day phases be found than Lord Milner. Here is what that great pro-consul said before the Canadian Club at Toronto last autumn.

"I have never been a great advocate of contributions from the self-governing states to the army and navy of the United Kingdom. I am sure that the form which Imperial co-operation in this field will ultimately take, and ought to take, the form at once most consistent with the dignity of the individual states and most conducive to their collective strength and organic union is the development of their several defensive resources in material and manhood."

As for the imperialistic press, the London Times is most emphatic. "The best use to which the welcome naval co-operation now offered by the Dominions," it declares, "can be applied is toward strengthening the defences, each in its own quarter. World co-operation in that manner will prove the truest form of co-operation in the end."

In the face of all, this doesn't the zeal of some of our Canadian Clubs and Boards of Trade appear misguided? There are too many attempts to settle the stupendous problems of the Empire in the spirit of "Hurrah! boys, make it unanimous." To those who indulge in the latter, we would commend another extract from Lord Milner's speech at Toronto.

"There is nothing so odious as cant, and this is a subject on which it is particularly easy to seem to be canting. Not that I am afraid of falling into a strain of boastfulness. The last thing which the thought of the Empire inspires in me is a desire to boast—to wave a flag, or to shout 'Rule Britannia.' When I think of it, I am more inclined to go into a corner by myself and pray."

The coal miners' strike in Southern Alberta appears to be about to come to an untimely end. The international president has overruled Mr. Sherman, who was responsible for this as he has been for many other troubles. The international character of the unions has often been objected to as a source of disturbance. In this case it has had the reverse effect. It is evident that the Lemieux Act was violated by the union officials who called on the strike. They should be prosecuted without delay. That bit of legislation is a great instrument for preserving industrial peace but must be enforced strictly against employer and employee alike.

Rumors are afloat that there will be additions to the Alberta cabinet at an early date. So persistent are they that in one case at least it looks as if an industrious press agent is at work. The Saturday News has no idea how much foundation any of these reports have but is emphatically of the opinion that the Government would be very unwise to make any of the moves suggested. The Cabinet is large enough for practical purposes and there are few private members of the Legislature who have yet shown exceptional qualifications for advancement.

The proposal to tax "irreclaimable bachelors" in Maine and other States of the Union in order to provide pensions for old maids has aroused much interest in England, where the subject of a State impost on celibacy is revived every year as budget day draws near. This year Mr. Lloyd-George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, is faced, mainly on account of old age pensions, with the task of raising a great amount of money by means of fresh taxation, and married men hope that their single brethren will be called upon to bear the greater part of the burden. In Alberta where the number of bachelors is larger than it should be in a new country and the burden on married men is particularly heavy, such a tax would be only just. There is too great a tendency to joke over the question. It should be seriously discussed.

George Bernard Shaw, whose views on the matter have been sought, puts the matter thus:

"As a man gets higher wages than a woman on the ground that he has to support her while she is bearing children to the country and doing the domestic work incidental to that function two difficulties arise: 1. A bachelor is paid to keep a wife and does not do it. 2. A widow has to bring up children and gets only the wages of a single woman or of a girl living partly with and partly on her parents."

"There is therefore no theoretic objection to State taxation of celibacy and State support of widows. The practical objection is that the man's wages are not really enough for two and not always enough for one."

A. G. Hales, the well-known journalist, is strongly of opinion that every bachelor over the age of 25 should be specially taxed according to his income.

"Bachelors of mature years," he says, "are of no use to any country and are usually a curse to society. They should be taxed into matrimony or out of the country."

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Edmonton Citizens Visit a Twentieth-Century Coal-Mine



The above photos of the exterior and interior of the property of the Alberta Coal Mining Co. were taken by the Byron-May Co. during the visit of the party of Edmonton citizens to Morinville on Monday of this week, an extended description of which appears in the Mirror, on another page of this issue. The excursion was a revelation of the extent to which scientific coal-mining has developed in the Edmonton district.

Edmonton's Hospital Problem

A second article covering the situation from the standpoint of the patients, the hospital supporters, the doctors, the nurses, the citizens, and from that of higher education—the views of Dr. Osler

Editor Saturday News.

Sir, That our hospital policy should secure the greatest good of the greatest number of the interests involved is surely a proper touchstone with which to test the merits of any proposal regarding this important public utility. This is not too broad a basis on which to expect Edmontonians to rest their opinion.

It may safely be said that the Union plan in its general form now has the endorsement of all our best citizens; but it has got to be emphatically insisted that the details of it must be so carried out as to preserve its integrity and to secure in full the advantages which it alone offers.

To ensure this whole-hearted support the general public must understand clearly the reason for it, and I wish this week to state briefly what appears to me those reasons which singly and collectively are or should be the determining factors in this whole question.

To avoid misunderstanding I shall outline the Union scheme. By it Edmonton and Strathcona public hospitals and the University would merge their hospital interests. Two sites would be necessary, one central in Edmonton and one near the University. On the former a building would at once be constructed to meet the unfulfilled needs for three or four years or until the high level hospital is completed. This hospital will then be continued partly as a general and partly as an emergency. On the University site a building could be begun at once or in time to be ready as soon as the bridge makes it available to Edmonton. In its future expanding needs would be met and the large ultimate hospital would have ideal surroundings and other requirements. Commercial interests will sooner or later inevitably render the surroundings of any central site in Edmonton undesirable and unsuitable for a large hospital. Details as to plans, provisions for Strathcona needs meanwhile, make-up of the Union board, etc., etc., could be easily worked out. The great need at present is to have harmonious and immediate action so that nothing will be sacrificed or lost for the future.

The interests which are most intimately bound up in a public hospital are those of: 1, the patients; 2, the hospital supporters; 3, the medical profession; 4, the nursing profession; 5, the citizens, and 6, higher education. These interests are really inseparable; but for the purposes of discussion I must take them separately, pointing out that any argument for one of them is an argument for all the others too.

1. To the patients the union plan offers the best hospital not merely in "Northern Alberta" (as some of our medical men mistakenly designate this part of the country) but in all Western Canada—the best hospital which can be erected out of all the abundant available material and means. The patients are offered the possibility of modern scientific medical and surgical treatment under an unexcelled staff of nurses and internes (resident hospital physicians). The attending physicians have the means of making more certain diagnoses and so avoiding "experiments"—and of applying methods of treatment not available outside of hospitals having well-equipped laboratories such as can be provided here absolutely only by the Provincial University.

Can our Hospital Board refuse these things to the sick whose healing it is the first duty of such a

Board to provide for? Is it necessary to add a single argument for the immediate and full acceptance of the union plan?

2. To the hospital supporters (taxpayers, patients, etc.) the union offers a hospital in the establishment and maintenance of which not only Greater Edmonton (including Strathcona) will contribute, but also the Provincial Government by reason of the educational character of the institution. Does not this mean that we will have the better hospital at a lower cost, and will anyone seriously deny that financially the Union hospital scheme is the best possible proposition? What would be said of the wisdom—financial and other—of our citizens if they countenanced a proposal to build too low level bridges across the river side by side, one for Edmonton people and one for Strathcona people, at the same cost as a high level bridge for everybody? Do we want two low level hospitals or will we join hands for a high level hospital? Or must the new species of "old-timer" still be allowed to indulge the vaunted "Western right to make mistakes if so inclined"? No, a thousand times NO. We have no right to place an avoidable and monstrous mistake on the fair page of Edmonton's proud history.

3. In the Union hospital the medical men of this community are offered the opportunity of giving their patients the advantages of twentieth century medicine and surgery. Is not this the birthright of hospital patients to-day, and can our medical men for one moment deny this boon to the sick of our city? For themselves the doctors are offered the assistance of hospital internes and a splendid staff of nurses. The medical man who is desirous of doing his best and of developing his full ability and special talents, perhaps even contributing to the advance of medical and surgical science, has here a chance to be found nowhere I might say this side of Toronto. He may if he chooses, fit himself for participation in the founding and conducting of a scientific medical school.

Just here let me recall the fallacious arguments which have been used—let us hope only in ignorance—in an attempt to arouse the jealousy of our medical men against "a staff of doctors who would be brought in from large centres for the professional staff at Strathcona." As a matter of fact whatever doctors of this city chose would be members of the attending staff of physicians and surgeons and the interne staff would be under their control and supervision, aiding and not competing with our city men. And with a medical college of our own we would not need to go elsewhere for the internes.

4. A most indispensable part of a hospital is the staff of nurses and their interests must be safeguarded most carefully. The character of a hospital depends probably more largely on the ability and quality of the nurses than on any other single factor. In the union hospital the nurse would have the advantage of a larger hospital and all that means in excellence of nursing staff, internes, more variety of cases, etc., etc. As a part of the educational system much attention could be devoted to organizing and conducting a training school for nurses.

This indeed justifies the University in its offer to participate in the Union hospital at once and liberally. A course of instruction is now given at the City Public Hospital, leading to a certificate of qualification as a trained nurse. Could not this be undertaken much more efficiently as a part of the work of the Provincial educational system? And would not such a University Training School for Nurses tend immeasurably to the advancement of the nursing profession in this Province? A noble body of workers our nurses are, and I say again that we must provide wisely for their future.

5. The citizen of Greater Edmonton is interested in seeing strong institutions grow up in this vicinity. Will he not point with greater pride (Continued on page 4)

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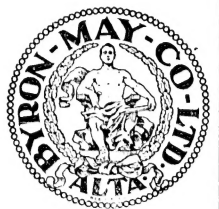
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THE LOUNGER

"THE FIRST OF THE SEASON."
 "Oh, fabulous day! Callow! Callow!"
 Out comes the April sun.
 The lark trills high, the swallows fly
 Soon now the hot cross bun!
 The blithe bee hums, and baseball
 comes.

The leaves are on the trees,
 The early lambs frisk by their dams
 (Not dreaming of green peas!);
 The daisies peep and rhubarb's
 cheery.

Spring onions now are ripe,
 With rustic glee (and "twist,"
 maybe)

Theophanes fills his pipe!
 This is the strain I sing again
 With sentimental wit,
 A bard, you know, must write just so.

For naivety, nor fit!
 —La Touche Hancock.

Two ladies, who had known each
 other in years gone by, met on the
 street. One of them, who had been
 married for some years, was pushing
 a baby carriage in which were fine
 triplets, all girls. The other lady
 had been the bonds of matrimony
 a couple of weeks.

"What beautiful children!" ex-
 claimed the newly married one with
 much interest, after the two friends
 had exchanged greetings.

"Yes," replied the proud mother,
 "and it was the funniest coincidence."
 At our wedding supper the boys
 who played with my husband in the
 orchestra serenaded him and
 played "Three Little Maids," from
 "The Mikado." Isn't that queer?"

The newly married one gasped for
 breath and turned pale with horror.
 "Merciful heavens!" she gasped,
 "at our wedding supper, a couple of
 weeks ago, Tom's friends serenaded
 him also, and they rendered the sex-
 tette from "Lucia."

I clip this from an American
 paper: "The wonderful versatility
 of President Taft and the wit of
 Archbishop Ryan were evidenced
 during a brief talk on the occasion
 of Mr. Taft's visit to this city a few
 days ago.

The occupant of the White House
 in congratulating his grace on how
 well he looked and how proud he
 should be of his diocese, remarked:
 "I understand you have in your
 Cathedral the best example of Ro-
 manesque architecture in this city,
 if not in the country."

"Yes," replied his grace, "and I
 wish they were very glad to have you visit
 it."

Then, with a significant look, he
 added:
 "If I cannot receive you into my
 Church I can at least take you into
 my Cathedral."

Query—Where does the "wonder-
 ful versatility" come in and what
 would happen to the ordinary indi-
 vidual who tried to pass the arch-
 bishop's remarks off for a joke?

"Crude Thoughts as they fall from
 the editorial pen" is what the
 Pincher Creek Echo calls an article
 in which the following appears:
 "We want girls of sense, girls who
 have a standard of their own, inde-
 pendent of conventionalities, and are
 brave enough to live up to it; girls
 who simply want wear a trailing
 skirt on the street because fashion
 dictates girls who will do what is
 pretty and becoming and snap their
 fingers at the edict of an ugly style.
 We want girls, girls who are
 sweet right out from the heart to
 the lips."

You call that crude?

A move being on foot to exter-
 minate the common house fly a corres-
 pondent hastens to speak a warning
 word.

"My alarm clock is a good, full
 voiced instrument, and only on
 special occasions or the morning fol-
 lowing fails to awaken me," he
 writes. "But I am a good and per-
 sistent sleeper, and the fault of the
 alarm clock is that while it awakens
 it does not keep awake. Its mech-
 anism is such that once having
 acted the chattering it retires into
 itself, and were it not for the com-
 mon house fly I should relapse into
 the velvet embrace or morning
 snooze."

"Of what value are sense of duty,
 inherent energy, noble purpose or
 share of sloth in comparison to the
 common, most common house fly?"
 Humble handmaid of a great system,
 it continues and perfects the alarm
 clock's unfinished job: not by loud
 clangor or violent percussion, but by
 gentle insinuation soft as a wife's
 pleadings, percolates through the

cutaneous capillary to the nervous
 system, to the centres governing the
 siap muscles of shoulder, arm and
 hand.

"At imminent peril of its devoted
 life it calls forth the awakening blow
 no friend was there to give; it drives
 off sleep and instils such thoughts
 and feelings that one arises with a
 mind full armed for the day's battle
 and eager for a fray with most any-
 body."

Last month's copy of the official
 organ of the Horse-shoe Union is
 to hand with the following account
 of the annual dinner of one of the
 branches down east. Such a record
 of destruction is absolutely unparal-
 leled.

"On February 28," runs the ac-
 count, "our annual oyster roast was
 held and which was well attended by
 members. Every man came with
 his appetite and the crowd being of
 husky build full justice was done to
 the good things prepared. Talk
 about eating oysters, you've never
 inland. Figure for yourselves what
 a feast of 1,000 bushels of fine oys-
 ters would make, to which is added
 ten crates of celery and eight fifty
 pound boxes of crackers, besides 200
 kugs of amber fluid commonly known
 as beer, and after computing the
 aggregate weight of all then figure
 for yourselves what happened by the
 time these 1,200 stalwarts got
 through with their job. Some of the
 most prominent men of Baltimore
 were present and they all declared
 they had the time of their lives at
 our annual oyster roast. The vis-
 itors from other cities were met at
 the depots by a committee and
 escorted to the Joyce Hotel, where
 they were treated to a Maryland
 spread, which consisted of planked
 steak, fried chicken, ham and oys-
 ters. It was in anticipation of be-
 ing treated to such a feast that Mr.
 John McCaffrey of Philadelphia
 brought his best appetite with him.
 Everybody will remember with
 pleasure our annual of 1909."

"Mr. Harry Lawler, the Scotch
 humorist, has been giving incidents
 of his American tour to his friends
 at home. Among other stories he
 tells is this one:

"My strangest audience was 1,000
 lunatics at the asylum on Ward's
 Island. I told them I would like to
 hear them sing; those who could
 know the words were to listen while
 the others sang the chorus of 'I love
 a Lassie.' When they had sang it
 three or four times I told them that
 the finest choir I'd heard in the
 United States. One patient took me
 aside and said, 'For my sake don't
 make faces or do anything to make
 them think you're a bit off, or they'll
 keep you here!'"

The opening of the lacrosse season
 brings these observations from the
 sporting editor of the Montreal
 Herald:

"Every season the conviction in
 the minds of lacrosse men that the
 senior brand of the national sport
 is next to impossible to maintain
 pure amateurism becomes more
 firmly rooted.

"It isn't so long ago that around
 little old Montreal here we used to
 hear of the tens and twenties and
 twenty-fives being found by players
 in their boots or in their trousers
 pockets when they returned to the
 dressing rooms. It isn't a matter
 of very ancient history either how
 some of these precious amateurs
 refused to walk out of the club-
 house without the way having been
 first lubricated with hard cash. The
 formation of the N.E.U. and the
 advent of the straight professional
 put a logical end to all that. Now
 the player gets his straight salary.
 If he sticks out for more, why that
 is a matter between him and the
 club executive, but he doesn't im-
 pose on an innocent and unsuspecting
 public any more by parading as an
 amateur."

"Out in British Columbia, it seems,
 they are finding their way to pro-fes-
 sional lacrosse by the same road the
 Eastern clubs travelled.

"Seems to me not so very long ago
 since I heard Billy Foran, from the
 presidential chair of the Lacrosse
 Union, state that some of the eastern
 amateurs were real professionals,
 and, like an echo, comes the report
 from Vancouver that the amateurs
 of the Victoria Lacrosse Club, and
 all the other amateurs of the 'amateur'
 league last year were all
 greased and well greased. The
 retiring president of the Victoria
 Club, at the annual meeting, had no
 hesitation in saying that last year
 practically every member of the
 Vancouver team was paid—and the
 statement was uncontradicted. Not
 only that, but the incoming president
 of the club, Con Jones, repeated the
 statement, only he followed it up as

well with the assertion that he had
 learned from conversation with the
 Rennie brothers and the Spring
 brothers of New Westminster that
 the world's champions were in the
 same boat as the local players.

"One of the players, talking from
 his own standpoint, stated that it
 was a fact that every player in the
 game in British Columbia was out
 for the coin.

"The outcome of it all looks obvi-
 ous. Lacrosse in the West will go
 out just the same way as lacrosse
 in the East. The real tip top
 lacrosse will be played by the pro-
 fessionals, and all the howlings of
 the C.A.A.U. or kindred bodies
 won't prevent it. The other sort
 of lacrosse will be played by am-
 ateurs, who in the majority of cases
 will remain in that class just as
 long as the senior managers choose
 to leave them there."

C. B. Fry, the well-known English
 cricketer, who, by the way, will play
 for Hampshire this year, has some
 interesting comparisons to make
 between cricket and baseball.

"It appears, for instance," he
 writes, "that the baseball pitcher,
 or, as we should say, bowler, is even
 more valuable than an inside for-
 ward in association football. The
 price of George Wilson, late of
 Everton, said to be £1,600 (\$8,000),
 is nothing to what Rube Waddell
 (nominally Rube Waddell), or what-
 ever his exact name is, changes
 teams for—£3,000 (\$15,000), odd.
 "In America baseball combina-
 tions are not called clubs but syndi-
 cates—which is at least frank. And
 these syndicates buy and sell their
 players even more freely than our
 football clubs do. A first class
 pitcher is above price.

"All decent pitchers can make the
 ball curve in the air most notable;
 there is the in curve which we should
 call in cricket the overarm, from the
 off; the out curve, or swerve from
 the left; and down curve, or 'duck.'

"The baseball pitcher can compass
 much more exaggerated curves than
 our bowlers, because they do not
 bowl, but throw. The most remark-
 able point about the pitchers is that
 they combine their swerve with
 extreme accuracy, for they send
 every ball dead over a plate about
 six feet wide. At our bowling they
 are no good. Some of them tried to
 bowl to the English cricketers and
 made no showing at all.

"It is rather interesting to know
 that whereas in our cricket the prob-
 lem is to bring the batsman down to
 level of the bowler, in baseball
 it is exactly opposite; if the strikers
 do not make enough runs, the
 pitcher is signally on top.

"Baseball players during the season
 practice three hours a day with
 as the French books say, assiduity.
 They practice fielding with special
 care and trouble. The hands of the
 catcher (or wicket keeper) are
 encased in a species of inverted box-
 ing gloves, but seldom remain a
 season in shape that is recognizable
 as a hand.

"For bowling practice they have
 an ingenious contrivance. A string
 is stretched across a gymnasium
 about the height of an average car.
 On this runs a spool with a hole in it.
 The player takes the spool in his
 hand a foot or so in front of his ear,
 and then fires it along the string.
 The point is to get out of the habit
 of taking the hand far behind the
 head in throwing, which loses time.
 Another point is to learn to flick the
 hand straight down the line of aim,
 for if the hand plays crooked the
 spool swatches at the string and
 refuses to fly along it. The idea
 may be of some value to would-be
 Jessops. I should think the Glas-
 cestershire captain throws like a base-
 baller. I would like to see the
 baseballer who can throw quicker
 or straighter. He would fetch a
 price.

"The English batsmen make no
 show at striking a pitcher's baseball
 delivery. Only K. O. Goldie, of
 Sussex, a young soldier with confi-
 dence only equalled by his accuracy
 of eye, could hit the curves at all.

"Each side has a coach, who
 stands, megaphone at mouth, just
 outside the playing area. His duty
 is to coach the batting side about
 running. But he has a task: for
 the moment his advice is required,
 gentlemen retained by the other side
 make a din intended to drown his
 words. These retainers are called the
 'fans.' They bark their oppo-
 nents and throw bottles at them,
 and even throw flashes into their
 eyes with pieces of looking glass."

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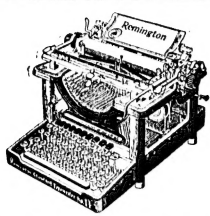
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Fading footprints, clues that fail—
What may not these portents mean
When the foe is all unseen,
And each fated pioneer
Fares along a grim frontier?
Lurking somewhere, left or right,
Near the pathway, safe from sight,
In the ambush subtle laid,
Stands the patient, hostile Shade.
Come you marching like a king,
Like a craven loitering,
Still the unconquerable foe
Waits your evening: Forward, go!
Thus along the grim frontier
Fares each fated pioneer.

THE LAST ENEMY.

For my destined last defeat
Naught of mercy I entreat;
Only borne to earth and then
May I fall without complaint;
But, dear foe, for them I love
All thy mercy would I move.
Fortune not their end with vain
Long vicissitudes of pain;
Though they feel thee lurking near,
Their brave hearts laugh at fear;
Then bestow thy sweetest gift,
Smiling merciful and swift.
Yet—yet may the stroke be stayed
Till at evening, undisputed,
They shall seize the vision far
Of one reassuring star!

Slowly the Hog Express, the Mixed, the Anything you Like, picked its way across the rather lonely stretch of land in the direction of Morinville. Outside was little to interest one, and I turned my attention to the occupants of the special car bound on a visit to the Alberta Coal Mine.

Firstly there was the Rev. Dr. McQueen, which was good; next were four prominent bank managers, which added a suggestion of high finance, and from that we ranged down to lawyers and doctors, merchants, journalists and how does the old rhyme go?—beggars, men, thieves.

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Well there was a baby at any rate, and two women, whom in common gallantry I am bound to write about just the heaven or spice to the whole. I was there, because once upon a time I had written an article entitled "On the City Outskirts" in which I had said, "Of a miner's existence I know no more than the babe unborn. Oh, but I mean to," etc., etc. And Mr. Montgomery, secretary of the Alberta Coal Co., had called me and said:

"Did you mean it?" and I had said "surely."

To the dreariness of much shunting and painfully slow progress we settled down to a discussion of "who had ever been down a mine and who hadn't," varied by glances out of the smoky window at few and far between shacks and farm dwellings, and upon the dull and dreary wastes of land that for the most part lavishly basking in the sun.

A few seats ahead a man was explaining the reason of the desolation.

"Farms held by speculators," he snapped succinctly, "no one's going to be fool enough to buy till things adjust themselves."

At St. Albert a ripple of interest was created by the rather picturesque aspect of the village, and finally after another tedious crawling along, we struck our destination and tumbled tumultuously out to first our dinner and then a visit to the mine.

Morinville at first sight suggests uneventfulness, monotony. On the face of it the little village sleeps. But underneath the semblance of lumber are vague stirrings as we noted at the little hotel at which we

dred feet below, and of a six foot depth.

Before descending the shaft we were taken on a tour of inspection of the plant above ground.

This consists in the main of an electric plant of 125 horse power, which manufactures the lights for the entire concern as well as furnishing the power for the Morgan-Gardner electric saw, a complete blacksmith's shop, powder magazine, the offices, boiler house, and men's bunk house.

To show what enterprise is going into the development of this mine, one of my guides, who was incidentally in no wise connected with the company, pointed out the small boiler used until recently and the giant one alongside that has taken its place and which furnishes the steam power for the double drum steam hoist used for pulling the railroad cars, and hauling the coal in the smaller cars from the mine.

Presently when everyone had explored the mysteries of the steam hoists etc., etc., the word was passed that the party would now descend, and the next moment the first man stepped into the shaft. Almost before I knew it I was in the midst myself of an almost impenetrable gloom, stepping gingerly and with skirts lifted high, down, down, into what at first was absolute chaos. Below me I could feel my rubbers striking against a slippery surface, and occasionally became conscious that I was getting entangled in some sort of a steel track. Far far ahead I beheld the occasional glimmer of a tiny light—that was all.

But presently my eyes growing accustomed to the blackness, and

encouraged by the voice of the kind of friends, and information bureau, I began to peer about me. We had now reached the level of the turnout and found ourselves in a passage 10 feet high by about 12 feet wide. All about us, walls, ceiling, floor was a tunnel of solid coal, like nothing in the world but a room formed of soft dull jet, magnificent in its gloom and dignity. The sensation of walking on an ozy substance had vanished completely, and looking down I saw that the ground was perfectly dry, had been since we had entered the drift proper.

On my remarking with astonishment on this fact, having heard that mines were not noted for this quality and the Spring of the year making it extremely probable that they would now be, if at any time, suffering from moisture, my pilot explained that at one time this identical mine was unusually damp, that it was half of the time as a matter of fact partly submerged in water, until a certain point in its development, that is its lowest level, was reached, when a huge pump or well was dug, and the water was thus drained off. At the present time the mine is without doubt the driest one to be found anywhere in the Province, and was a veritable eye-opener to everyone in the party in this, as in other respects.

And now as objects began to take form in the gloom I could see a little in advance of me, the Rev. Dr. McQueen, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Pardee, Mr. Cuss May, and other familiar forms softly silhouetted in the flickering candle light. One by one they marched, each bearing a lighted taper, and suggesting for all the world a little procession of acolytes. The ridiculousness of Mr. May with his virginal candle I cannot describe, also the fleeting glimpses of the faces of the others will they ever again look as boys, as full of adventure! I doubt it.

But all this time you must know we were walking bolt upright, quite as if we were in any ordinary room, through a finely-timbered passage, going on and on past myriad cross drifts or cuts, from whose far distant depths came the sound of picks, or a ghostly will-o'-the-wisp flash of light until after seemingly miles of walking we came within sight and hearing of what had been described to us as one of the objective points of interest, the Morgan-Gardner machine or electric saw, which operates on the face of the coal very much as a dentist's drill does in preparing a tooth.

Gaining a point of vantage right alongside the machine I had a splendid opportunity to see how it accomplished its work.

As far as the eye of a woman could gauge its operations, it seemed to consist of an endless chain, inset with picks or teeth, one turning out and the next in. Being adjusted to the face of the coal, on ground floor so to speak, this saw speedily and steadily undermines a space or wedge six inches high and six feet deep, after which three drills are made in the face of the coal in the shape of a triangle, the single point at the bottom. In this is placed what is known as a quick shot of dynamite, with two slow shots at the two upper corners. As the lower shot explodes first, it forces down a ledge of coal into the six inch space made by the Morgan-Gardner, thus leaving a good space for the upper shots to operate upon.

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After the blasting has been done with picks and shovels complete the work. The roof and sides are timbered and the machine and the little gang push on once more.

As we stood mastering all these points in the gentle art of coal-mining, from the distance came the dull boom of blasting operations, carried on in some of the cross drifts. To many it was the signal to start on the return trip, leaving the rest of us free to further explore some of the mazes of these underground tunnels.

As I gazed about me, more and more the eeriness of the place clutched hold of me. I remembered tales—oh, such tales—of the early Christians and their catacombs. Stories of persons losing themselves in their mazes; ghastly stories where unfortunate souls lost their reason on realizing their fate. Picky blackness all about me, so that men can with difficulty see each other at arm's length.

The unannounced standing within ten feet of a gang of men, your ear assailed by the clatter and din of a huge drill, the sound of picks and shovels, and the hissing of steam—hearing the voices of husky contented men, or their united grunts as they heave some heavy object to and fro, prying at some stubborn spot, but seeing nothing! Look away and beyond towards the entrance, and the gloom lessens a bit; shadowy forms suddenly come out of the gloom, walking on a vapor, a silhouette of horses, both exactly the same misty color, though one is black and one white in the open, and then on and out into the blinding daylight. It has been a wonderful experience.

One solitary miner I interviewed (Continued on page 5)

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Edmonton's Hospital Problem

(Continued from page 1)

and surer satisfaction to a large and unione hospital and a flourishing University if the full realization of the high level hospital can be accomplished?

Things often have far-reaching and indirect effects which are not knowingly included in their specific and avowed purpose. In this instance it is safe to say that the action of the three corporations participating in the Union Hospital would hasten the union of these two cities—I had almost said the healing together of the two parts of this divided and bleeding community. It would foster a right spirit towards our Provincial University and set an example of broad-minded and high-principled co-operation that would react in many ways to the advancement and well-being of various public utilities. Again the existence in the Province of a hospital of the highest class would react beneficially on many or all of the hospitals throughout Alberta, and so the supporters of these are very definitely concerned in this proposed model hospital.

6. The educational system of this Province would gain a distinct advance by the establishment of an institution that would immediately be doing medical teaching (in training nurses) of a high order and that would look to the early extension of that work (to include the training of medical students). We must look to the welfare of our University and foster its growth at every opportunity if we are to see it flourish and become that great asset to the Province for which it contains the potentiality.

Instead of making personal attacks on our University president—for such in essence is much of the opposition raised to the high level hospital—we should see to it that his foresight is commended, his hands strengthened and his efforts loyally supported. Is it not his plain and simple duty to endeavor to develop the University as wisely, quickly and fully as possible, and would he be otherwise worthy of his high position? His personal interests are identified with those of the University, and we must not be misled by those who would have us see only self-interest and self-aggrandizement in his official efforts to promote the welfare of the University. He is in these matters not to be thought of as "Dr. Tory," but as the "President of the University of Alberta."

Saskatchewan and Alberta have opportunities which were open to none of our older Provinces and it will be our lasting discredit if we even fail to recognize them, and our well-merited ever-lasting disgrace if recognizing them we plainly refuse to grasp them entire.

In the present hospital situation we are facing one of the rarest and happiest opportunities that will ever come to the West. Citizens of Edmonton, shall it pass unrealized or realized only in a crippled form because of sectional prejudice—which despite strenuous denial will not down—and because "the convenience of location for doctors and others should be considered first of all, and doctors would object to attending patients on the University site?" (See Tuesday Evening's Journal interview with medical petitioner). Is this the measure of our medical men when personal convenience is in choice with all the considerations offered by the high level hospital?

Parents who wisely wish to have good educational facilities for their sons and daughters within easy reach, and fall to others who directly or indirectly reap the benefit of higher education should know that a hospital is so integral a part of a complete educational system [and that the Union hospital is so vital to the welfare of our University at this time; that the wisest possible educational interests are concerned in this matter. It is not merely medical education that is at stake or that is affected. The same laboratories that will serve the hospital and the medical faculty will also serve many other University purposes, including the work of the arts, engineering, agriculture, and in time dental, veterinary and other faculties. All these will be furthered by the development of the medical side of the University's work. But how could the University either establish or duplicate these laboratories in North Edmonton as so blantly proposed by certain individuals who

will some day regret having so put themselves on record? A medical college cannot be originated in a day. It takes years of right endeavor and real work before a modern scientific medical school in a new country can open its doors to students. We can not begin preparations too soon. Unless we intend to import a whole medical faculty we should avail ourselves of this opportunity to place at the disposal of our medical men those facilities for doing work that will qualify them for places on the staff of a self-respecting medical faculty.

With a hospital available the University would at once be able to undertake the medical education of nurses, and it would also begin preparations for a medical school. Before this latter can be ready we shall have a million Albertans, Ontario, with some 2,200,000 people have three medical schools and over 1000 medical students.

Dr. Osler, regius professor of medicine in Oxford University, the eminent Canadian who has shed such luster in our country, writes from Paris under date Jan. 15, 1909: "One advantage the French medical student has over all others. To the hospitals of Great Britain and Germany the medical student is admitted as a right; in the U.S. he is too often only tolerated and not always admitted to the wards. In Paris the hospital is his home." This from the man who has done more than any other man to place medical education on the high plane it occupies in a few places on this side of the Atlantic. In the same letter he states: "It is fully recognized in Paris that you can not separate the interests of the medical school from those of the hospital, nor either from the interests of the public." In other words it is Osler's belief that the best interests of the public are served only by the union of hospital and medical school. Could Osler send a clearer message to our Hospital Board? I find that the advantages of the high level hospital have already exceeded my intended space and I must leave to next week a word of suggestion as to meeting the present and keeping the future.

Yours truly,
Edmondson.
Edmonton, April 7, 1909.

Athletics.

Continued from page 2

The Edmonton lacrosse club has chosen the following officers: Hon. president, Hon. C. W. Cross; hon. vice-president, Dr. C. Wilson; hon. second vice, Charles May; president, M. Barber; 1st vice, H. V. Shaw; 2nd vice, Mr. Mould; 3rd vice, Dr. Buggins; secretary, F. Bolander; treasurer, Wm. Pratt; executive committee, Messrs. Thompson, Fovors and Scott. The election of a manager was left to the executive committee.

It is the intention of the club to enter the Alberta Amateur Lacrosse league, and compete this summer for the DeVeber cup, emblematic of the provincial amateur championship.

The Edmonton tennis club has reorganized for the season with the following officers: President, H. Second; vice-president, Mayor Lee; secretary, H. Adams. Committee of six as follows: Entertainment, L. Gibbs, J. V. E. Carpenter; grounds, E. H. Cope and A. H. Jones; tournament, A. E. Nash, G. P. Blythe.

The membership fee was placed at \$5, entrance fee at \$5 and ladies' fee at \$3. G. P. Blythe is donating a handsome cup for the men's handicapped singles which is to be the property of the man who wins it three consecutive times. Mr. Nash has stated that he will donate a similar cup for the lady contestants.

A meeting of the Edmonton cricket club will be held in the Windsor Hotel on Tuesday, 13th inst. at 8.15 p.m. All those who are interested in cricket are cordially invited to attend the meeting as matters of great importance to the game will be taken up.



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1. A. Goodridge, renewal of hotel license in respect of the Jasper House, situate on lots 31, and 32, block 1, River lot 12, Edmonton.

Matthew Barber, renewal of hotel license in respect of the Windsor Hotel, situate on lot No. 83, block 1, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Archibald York, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Alhambra Hotel, being on lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, block 2, River lot 10, Edmonton.

McCalla and Peacock, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the King Edward Hotel, situate on lot 27, block 1, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Wagnot and Jelly, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situate on lot No. 7, River lot 6, Edmonton.

Henry Sigler for renewal of hotel license, in respect of the Grandview Hotel, situate on lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, R. lot 8, Edmonton.

Edmonton Wine and Spirit Company, for renewal of wholesale license, in respect to the premises situate on east half of lot 6, River lot 8, Edmonton.

Robert McDonald, for renewal of hotel license in respect to the Senate Hotel, situate on lots 16 and 17, block 3, River lot 10, Edmonton.

J. N. Pomeroy, for renewal of hotel license, in respect of the Imperial Hotel, situate on lots 199 and 200, block 3, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Frank E. Goode for renewal of hotel license, in respect of the Imperial Hotel, situate on lots 35 and 36, in block 1, R. lot 10, Edmonton.

Bertha Hett, for renewal of hotel license, in respect of the Queen's Hotel, situate on lots D.E.N.F., River lot 10, Edmonton.

A. E. Hopkins, for renewal of wholesale license, in respect of the premises situate on the east side of lot 14, R. lot 6, Edmonton settlement.

John B. Mercer, for renewal of wholesale license, in respect of the premises situate on lot 13, south half of R. lot 6, North side of Jasper Ave., Edmonton.

Jack Hays, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Edmonton Hotel, situate on R. lot 4, Edmonton.

St. Elmo Hotel Co., Ltd., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the St. Elmo Hotel situate on lots 7 and 8, block 1, River lot 10, Edmonton.

Grand Central Hotel of Edmonton, Limited, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Grand Central Hotel, situate on lot 3, River lot 8, plan E, Edmonton.

Hudson's Bay Co., for renewal of wholesale license in respect of the premises situate on lot 163, in block 2, H.B.R. Edmonton.

William Cameron, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Brunswick Hotel, situate on lot 101, block 1, H.B.R. Edmonton.

The Castle Hotel Co., Ltd., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Castle Hotel, situate on lot 205, block 2, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Mahony Hotel Co., Ltd. for renewal of hotel license in respect of the St. Elmo Hotel situate on the north fifty feet of lots 100 and 101, R. lot 6, Edmonton.

Joseph Beauchamp, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the International Hotel, situate on lots 7 and 8, block 10, R. lot 12, Edmonton.

Cecil Hotel Co., Ltd., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Cecil Hotel, situate on lot No. 127, block 4, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Lawrence A. Wilson for renewal of wholesale license in respect of the premises situate on the northerly one half of lot 174, block 3, H.B.R. Edmonton.

Nathan Bell for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Penndenis Hotel, situate on lots 36, block 2, River lot 12, City of Edmonton.

York and Robert for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Yale Hotel, situate on part of block A, Edmonton Settlement.

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Note and Comment

(Continued from page 1)

They have already solved this
question in Bulgaria, where the
Sobranje has passed a law compelling
every bachelor over 30 to pay an
annual tax of 10 francs, which with
local additions really amounts to
about 16 francs a year. The law
was adopted unanimously, which
seems to indicate that the Bulgarian
Parliament is an assembly of married
men.

There is, however, a protest from
the bachelors of Tirnovo, "the ancient
capital of Bulgaria. An old custom
there provides that on the first Mon-
day in Lent all young men who have
not married during the carnival
season shall be thoroughly beaten
with pigs' bladders by their com-
rades. The bachelors of Tirnovo
have risen against this indignity and
have addressed a petition to the
Ministry of Finance declaring their
willingness to pay the new tax, but
praying that they may in future be
permitted to escape from the beat-
ings of fasting Monday.

Calgary's Horse Show.

Calgary has again distinguished
itself this week by holding one of
the most successful horse shows ever
conducted in Canada. The Saturday
News has had a staff representative in
the Southern city all week and an
extended notice of the event will
appear in the next issue.

At the Empire Next Week.

By far the strongest bill that has
ever been offered to the theatre-
goers of Edmonton is being pre-
sented at the Empire this week, but
from advance notices of the bill for
next week, it would appear that
next week's programme will be
equally as attractive, if not more so.
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musical act, the Three Masqueria
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and dancers, as well as being excep-
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gramme are: The Davises, Amer-
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bill.

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Empire proves conclusively that the
management are pleasing every-
body, and the foregoing bill will
undoubtedly prove as big a drawing
card as the present week, which is
saying quite a bit.

Publisher's Note.

The failure to arrive in time of a
shipment of paper of the quality
usually used in printing the Satur-
day News has necessitated resort to
news print for this and last week's
issue. Next week, however, there
will be a return to normal condi-
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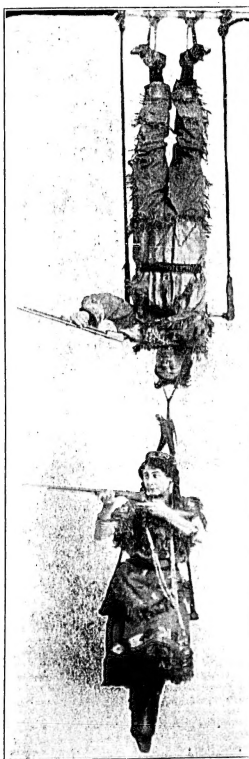
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"When we were poorer, a great deal poorer, and that wasn't such a terrible long time ago, I used to be permitted to pronounce words about as I wanted to and nobody objected; and that was a great comfort to me because I never was very much on the pronounce and I always like to be free anyway; but it's all very different as things are now."

"Now we've got a little money—we've got quite a lot in fact—and the change in our outfit would surprise you. Mypronouncing don't go in our shack now any more, everything is so very nice and elegant. All our furniture stands just so and the rugs have to lay on the floor at just such an angle. The shades and the curtains must always be arranged in a precise certain manner and the books and bric-a-brac must always be just where they belong."

"Our table has always got to be fixed up just so prim and there must always be flowers in the middle, and we must always cut in just the correct manner; and we must always wear good clothes, and there's a whole lot of things that we have to do now that I never thought of before; and my two amiable daughters fit into this scheme elegant, do you know? yes, sir, elegant, just as if they never lived any other way; and I get along with a good deal of it all right too, but I can't, actually can't shuck off my old ways of pronouncing, and that gives my daughters a lot of trouble."

"We'll have in some visitors maybe, and we'll all be talking along, and the first thing you know I see my two daughters looking at me, and then I know I've broken some poor word's back or lopped off some of it or got it twisted around some way, and then after the folks have gone they say to me:

"Father, don't you know how to pronounce so and so? They tell me it's so and so, and I try to remember it, though the way they tell it to me seems very strange."

"You see I've been pronouncing words my way for a good many years, and that's the only way they seem natural to me. Why, honest,

since this new arrangement came up I've heard people say words that I never would have recognized at all if I didn't have my mind on this subject, they pronounced 'em so different from my way. I'd have known 'em in print all right, but not the way they said 'em."

"When this thing first came up and I had my first scare on I said once to some visitor who had cut with us, when I came to some word I knew I was sure to bungle, I said 'So and so, or so and so, or whatever you pronounce it,' said I, and when I said that our visitor didn't seem to notice anything singular about it, but I thought our two daughters would faint, and when our visitor had gone they both said to me:

"Father, don't ever say that again! I promised I wouldn't, and I haven't, but I'm having a hard time with this pronouncing business than I ever had getting the money. I'm learning some, I think, but I know I still give my daughters much trouble, and they tell me I've got to learn. They tell me there's books about pronouncing that I'll have to get and study; one book with seven thousand words in it and one with ten, and one with twelve; and I say to myself, well, I guess I'll try the little feller first, and I bought one of those little fellers and took a look inside of it, and do you know what I think now? I think I'll take it to the woods the next time we have company."—New York Sun.

The Woman Responsible for Jim Fisk's Murder

Josie Mansfield, the actress, for whom Edward S. Stokes shot down and murdered Jim Fisk in the Grand Central hotel, New York, in January, 1872, for seven years has been a resident of Waterton, S.D., under the name of Mrs. Mary Lawler, yet it was only the other day her identity became known.

The woman is 70 years old, penniless and a paralytic, and is seeking entrance to a convent. For several months she has been living on the bounty of friends, and money for her support has been raised by card-parties and voluntary subscription.

The woman who was the cause of one of the greatest tragedies in the history of American finance is ending her days in harrowing obscurity. There was no suspicion of her identity

when she was brought to Waterton in 1902 by M. D. Flint, at that time one of the most prosperous business men there. Flint was her brother, but never even hinted to his most intimate friends that the old woman was Josie Mansfield, and he died two years ago without disclosing the secret.

Her identity was made known by an old commercial traveller, who recognized her by the traces of the beauty that cost Fisk his life and blasted the career of Stokes. She broke down when informed her story was known, and expressed the hope she would find shelter behind the walls of a convent.

She made her first appearance on the stage in California in 1856. She was about 16 years old, extremely lovely, but ignorant. She became the wife of Frank Lawler, an actor, and they came east and lived in Boston until 1876. In that year she obtained a divorce, and went on the New York stage. She could not act, being cold and emotionless. After appearing in several companies without success, she sought an audience with Fisk. It was said she told him she had only her beauty to commend her, but that was enough.

Fisk became her slave. She flattered him until she met Stokes, when she promptly transferred her "affection" to the younger man. The effect of this betrayal embittered Fisk all the more as he had boasted in public of the woman.

Fisk tried to ruin Stokes financially. He had Stokes arrested on a charge of embezzlement. Finally Stokes went from the side of the woman to wait for Fisk and to shoot him down on the stairs of the Grand Central, now the Broadway Central hotel. The minute she heard of the death of Fisk she turned her back on the murderer for ever.

Following the Fisk murder, Josie Mansfield sued the Fisk estate for \$200,000. The case was thrown out of court. She went to Boston and was hooted. She fled to Paris, and in 1891 in London was married to Robert Livingstone Reade of New York. After a few years they were divorced. Ten years later she was living in Boston as Mrs. Josie Welton. Then she went to Philadelphia, and finally she was brought to Waterton by her brother.

The Fall of the Haughty

A Hallroom Fantasy.

Her nineteen-nine hat and my nineteen-five lid
Once met by mere chance on the tree in the hall;
Her hat is of green, as prevailing styles bid,
While mine has turned green from the service it did
Through many a summer and winter and fall.

Like opulent wealth, wherever 'tis found,
Her nineteen-nine hat became haughty and proud,
And turned up its brim and it flustered and frowned
Upon my poor skypiece, its feelings to wound—
Inviting the laughter of all the hall crowd.

"You're lacking in style!" said her nineteen-nine hat;
My lid felt the thrust, for it pierced to the band!
"You're very passe, and, for matter of that,
Just how can you blind the society frut
And keep your position, I can't understand!"
Then up spake my lid in a voice loud and clear,
"Ah, only for me and my savings, Miss Nibbs,
It's a pretty safe wager YOU wouldn't be here!"
You ought to have heard all the hangers-on cheer,
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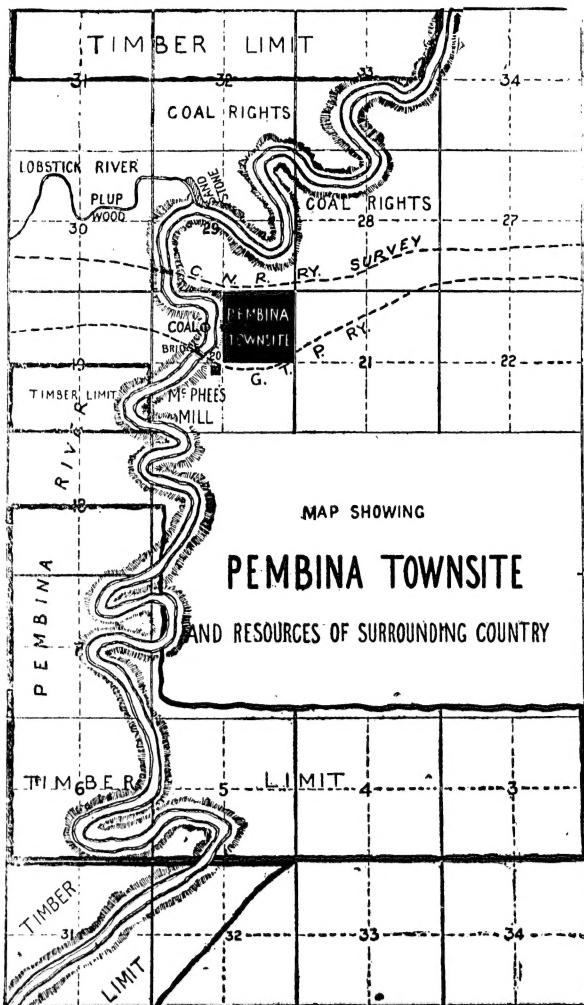
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MUSIC AND DRAMA

On March 24 there was held in St. Andrew's Church, Nanton, a musical festival for Southern Alberta. A criticism appears in the High River Times which is so refreshing in its frankness that it is well worth quoting from it at some length. Among the general observations are these:

"No person should have been allowed to enter the hall during a competition, not even an official, talking and whispering should have been strictly forbidden, children in arms should not have been admitted, in this case freedom was the order of the day, talking was permitted and children allowed to cry while a competition was on, much to the annoyance of those competing."

"Mixed choruses, male choruses, ladies' choruses and all quartettes are sung unaccompanied, in competitions this is the rule, conductors are not allowed to beat time with their feet. This was very noticeable in the Nanton ladies' chorus, the conductor's beat being quite audible in the centre of the hall and considerably marred the effect of the chorus, this is not allowed."

In the mixed chorus competition High River, under the leadership of Rev. C. H. Peck, won against McLeod and Nanton. "The ladies' chorus was that well-known trio from 'The Elijah' 'Lift thine Eyes.' Nanton and High River were the competitors, High River came on first, and gave a capital rendering, their attack was splendid, and sustained throughout, the parts were well balanced, and expression marks well noted, their tone was very good, and they kept up the time and pitch throughout. The attack of the Nanton choir was also very good, but was not sustained, their second soprano got a little out of tune in the passage 'The maker of Heaven and Earth,' and were down in pitch at the end. Their tone was as good as High River, but if this piece was judged on points, then High River should have won, and with a good margin. The prize was divided each getting a shield."

Remember it is a High River critic I am quoting. Would he have dared to tell a High River second soprano she got out of tune? However, he wasn't afraid of the High River male competitors as witness the following:

"Tenor solo, only one competitor Rev. C. H. Peck, of High River, the principal solo was the Recitative and Aria, 'Ye people will rend your hearts and 'If with all your hearts' from the Elijah. A very commendable rendering of this very difficult piece was marred by two conspicuous errors in pronunciation and if there had been other competitors he would have lost points. The word find was sung as fiend, and Elijah as Elejah; the writer has heard some of the best artists sing this piece but never before this way."

The judges were Madame Ellis-Browne, Calgary, Miss Webster, Edmonton, and Mr. Watson, Calgary all of whom are said to have performed their very trying duties in a very competent manner.

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- 2 At the Spring (Liszt) - - - - - Piano
- 3 Orfeo-Ach ich habe sie verloren (Gluck) - - - - - Schumann-Heinke
- 4 Scotch Symphony No. 3 Op. 56 (Mendelssohn) - - - - - Piano
- 5 La Forza del destino-Duetto (Giuseppe Verdi) - - - - - Caruso & Scotti
- 6 Rigoletto Paraphrase of Concert (Verdi) - - - - - Piano
- 7 Aria—"Ah fors e lui" - - - - - Mme. Marcella Sembrich
- 8 Symphony No. 2 (Mozart) - - - - - Piano
- 9 Carmen-Flower Song (Bizet) - - - - - Evan Williams
- 10 Cascade de Roses Op. 80 (Ascher) - - - - - Piano
- 11 Lucia-Mad Scene (Donizetti) - - - - - Melba
- 12 Symphony No. 3 (Beethoven) - - - - - Piano
- 13 Invocation-Magic Flute (Mozart) - - - - - M. Pol Plancon
- 14 La Campanella (Liszt) - - - - - Piano
- 15 Barbieri—Una voce poco fa (Rossini) - - - - - Mme. Luise Tetrazzini
- 16 Concert No. 1 E Flat (Liszt) - - - - - Piano
- 17 Tristan and Isolde-Isolde's Liebestod (Wagner) - - - - - Galski
- 18 Serenade Op. 25 (Beethoven) - - - - - Piano
- 19 Aida—Sextete Aida (Verdi) - - - - - Enrico Caruso
- 20 Lucia—Sextete, Act II (Donizetti) - - - - - Sembrich, Caruso, Journet, Scotti, Severina, Daddi

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The physiological value of flavors has been frequently commented upon, and the subject deserves the widest publicity to check the growing tendency of a certain class of dietitians to consider that the only useful ingredient in foods are the tissue building and energy producing chemical compounds. This contends American Medicine in the course of an editorial utterance to the effect that foods must possess much more than carbon and nitrogen to make them wholesome. Nevertheless, the laboratory takes no account of such intangible things as flavor and bouquet. It is now ascertained that the high prices paid for certain pleasing foods is really money well spent, even if the "nutritive" value is less than cheaper, for these dainties is an expression of a natural need, and health suffers if they are unattainable. Even savages have their occasional "spreads," the civilized "banquet" is also as old as civilization, and both seem to satisfy a wholesome craving. The economy of expensive foods at least in man, is dependent upon flavors, without which it is so defective that we do not obtain the good of the food we swallow.

"As far as experiments go, they substantiate these assertions, for the sight and smell of pleasant food starts the flow of digestive fluids, while disagreeable odors and sights stop it. Delicacies, then, would seem to be staples, for they are necessary. The talk of being able to subsist on a few cents a day is simply nonsense, and leads to deterioration of health. What seems to be extravagance in food purchases may be wholesome instinct. The high cost of living is partly due to the cost of the flavors we need. We commend these ideas to our worthy dietetic economists. Laymen may not be so foolish as the physiologists themselves.

"The inefficiency of plain foods must be a startling shock to all who so strenuously advocated the simple dietetic life. The poor laborer who can never buy a dainty does not show up well as a workman. Even a horse wants a change now and then, and the cat is an incorrigible thief. The lower races which subsist on plain and unvaried foods are inefficient workmen, but if they are given a more varied diet they do quite well. Military men have found it impossible to confine an army to fixed rations, for every soldier spends more or less of his money for occasional dainties. Restaurants follow armies even into battle. Are luxuries to be classed as necessities? Of course, one would not so class a dish of nightingales' tongues, but perhaps such articles as oysters, caviar, and a host of fruits and vegetables, all of low nutritive value, are necessities on account of the intangible qualities of taste and odor which have escaped the notice of our new physiologists. It has often been said that the alcoholic tendencies of soldiers and sailors of former times were an expression of depraved nervous systems due to plain, tasteless, unvarying foods. This may be true, for alcoholism is a sign of nervous depression. Since the diet of these men has been greatly improved by the addition of 'luxuries,' drunkenness has been enormously reduced.

The adulteration of condiments and flavors thus assumes an entirely new aspect. Our pure food laws most wisely included them, but perhaps mostly to prevent fraud. Yet there is urgent need for inspection and control of all such articles, including those generally considered luxuries, but which may be necessities whose impurity injures public health. Attention has often been called to the fraud by which two cents' worth of apple sauce is colored, flavored, and put in a fancy jar and sold for fifty cents. It is generally assumed that the fraud was not inimical to health, but the buyer does not get what he needs.—Current Literature.

The Wraith of the Trail.

From the Denver Republican.
There's a grass grown trail near the shining rail where the trains go whizzing by—

Where the smoke from the overland fast express is spread like a veil in the sky:
It's the trail where the stage went rumbling through in the days of the real frontier:
But where is the driver who braved the path and whose stout heart knew no fear?
'Twas a perilous trip that the prairie ship made across the high, brown plains,
But has any one ever heard men tell of a coward who held the reins?
There are plenty of tales of heroes' work and of passengers saved from death,
But when did a driver ever quail in the fiercest blizzard's breath?
So go to the trail when the stars are pale and 'tis scarce an hour till dawn,
And you'll see a ghostly stage flit past, by four ghost horses drawn;
And high on the box sits the ghost of a man, and he throws you an eerie hail—
It is thus that the stage goes by to-day on the grass grown overland trail.
Arthur Chapman.

There has been a heavy demand for seats for the Marie Hall recital in the Opera House on Friday night. Evidently there are a great many people in Edmonton who realize that we get too few good things here, and who do not wish to miss this unusual treat.

The Mirror.

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Where is the Spot

An old Spanish proverb states—"The acquiring of wealth depends not on industry or saving, but in being at the right spot at the right time." Why not in Santa Rosa, that high-class subdivision lying across the street west of the Swift Company Packing Plant adjoining the city on the east? City water, electricity, telephones, sewers, street railway completion along the north. Do you realize that nearly 300 employees are demanding homes near this plant; that over 2800 head of cattle alone, not including the number of hogs and sheep, have been killed and dressed there in one week; that the capacity of this plant will be increased just as soon as the available supply of cattle, hogs, and sheep increases in this territory; that this is bound to result in a city of thousands adjacent to this great plant, as is the case in every other packing center on the continent? Saturday morning we start the sale of choice Santa Rosa lots at \$200 and up on easy terms of \$10 cash and \$10 per month continuing the sale only until this allotment is sold, at which time prices will be materially increased. This advance of prices in this locality is sure to confirm our judgment that Santa Rosa is the right spot.

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Mrs. N. D. Beck left on Tuesday of last week for Richmond Hill, Ontario, in response to a telegram stating that her mother, Mrs. Teffy, who has since died, was seriously ill. Sincere sympathy will be extended to Mrs. Beck.

Mr. Creighton left on Saturday to accompany his family to the coast, where they will remain during the summer. Mr. Creighton however returning to the Capital almost immediately.

Mrs. Seoble returned to town on Thursday after a most enjoyable two weeks' visit to Calgary, where she was an interested visitor at the fine Horse Show.

Mrs. O'Connor and Mrs. Grisebach, who have charge of the Unwedded booth at the Hospital Fair, are giving a musicale in All Saints' schoolroom on April 15th, when a delightful programme has been arranged. There will be absolutely no invitations. Everyone is cordially welcome, but please don't forget there will be a plate at the door where you may drop any superfluous silver.

I am more than glad to be able to report that Mrs. Harold Riley who has been so seriously ill for a week or more, is, at the time of writing, slowly but surely showing a slight improvement, and that the wee baby is thriving nicely.

Mrs. Mowat Biggar and Mrs. H. H. Richards, who have also been on the very sick list, are also able to sit up in bed.

Miss Dorothy Almon who has been spending part of the winter at the Capital, on pension at the Misses Porter, for the benefit of her health, left for her home in the Maritime Provinces on Friday. Miss Almon intends however, I believe, to return presently when she has an idea of establishing a fine little poultry ranch, close to the city.

In England many titled women have gone in for this interesting mixture of fad and business, and are enjoying a wonderfully healthy life overseeing their pets as well as realizing very tidy little sums for pin money.

His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Bulyea and Miss Babbitt have been attending the Horse Show in Calgary and are going on to Regina for a visit before returning to the Capital.

To-morrow (I write on Thursday) the greatest artistic event of the year in Edmonton will take place, when the world-famous violinist, Miss Marie Hall, is to give her recital. Accompanying Miss Hall are a vocalist and pianist, both of whom are well known to the Edmonton public.

As the secretary went on to explain, in time as development takes place this can be greatly increased. "We have only fairly begun to operate," continued my informant, "but the possibilities of even the present property are limitless." Undoubtedly the great future of this country lies in its coal mining industry, and Edmonton, situated as it is, in a magnificent stretch of coal country, should, before long, take its place as one of the greatest manufacturing centres on the continent. Manufacturers have the coal at their very door and one of the chief items of factory expense is cut to a minimum as a result.

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Going home the occupants of the private car were loud in their praise of the day's outing and the fine experience it had afforded them, sentiments which were admirably voiced by the Rev. Dr. McQueen, seconded by Mr. Chas. May and carried amid most enthusiastic applause, as well as a very hearty vote of thanks, which was tendered to Mr. George S. Montgomery its organizer, whom he declared the best of jolly good fellows. I believe the officers of this most progressive company are: Mr. J. L. Bell, president; Mr. W. L. Carter, vice-president, and Mr. George Montgomery, its very capable secretary.

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That the hearts of legions of friends were shocked and saddened on Sunday, when the news of Mrs. St. George Jellett's death became known, goes without saying. Every incident, her joy of living, apparent health, and active interest in a large variety of fields, made it a hard and mournful circumstance. We who knew her infinite kindness, her open-handed hospitality, her love of her home and family, her friendly interest and co-operation in all charitable undertakings, who remember her enthusiasm last year at golf, the intimate little family luncheons on Wednesdays when she almost invariably presided at the head of the table, will miss her not once, but many, many times in the days that are to come. How well she worked, how well she played! To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die, and for myself I know that the example Mrs. St. George Jellett set us in life, will be to me an inspiration to be often kinder, less weary in well-doing in the future.

To her husband and every member of the family the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of the entire community will be extended.

A very beautiful dinner of thirty courses was given by the Senator and Mrs. Melvin-Jones on Monday evening at Llawhaden, for the announcement of the engagement of their only child, Miss Eileen Neceora, and Rev. T. Crawford Brown. The dinner drew to the table, the Senator arose and told the assembled company of his daughter's engagement, and Sir Mortimer Clark proposed the health of the fiancée in a very appropriate speech. Dr. Temple, the family physician, who has known Miss Melvin-Jones since her school days, also made a little speech, paying tribute to her many excellencies. Several others joined the paen of praise, until finally the fair fiancée herself arose and said it was, perhaps, as she humorously remarked, the last time she would have a chance to speak for herself. Toronto friends of this clever and warm-hearted girl have always been included in her anniversaries, and the joyous dance which celebrated her twenty-first birthday is yet green in many a happy memory. In all her hand has found to do, whether for the pleasure or profit of others she has put an enthusiasm and vim and vigour into it that is inspiring. The good wishes of her parents' guests last Monday are echoed by all who know her, and she consequently is a happier for the congratulations of her friends.—Toronto Saturday Night.

Mr. W. A. Kirkpatrick, chief clerk in the office of Divisional Superintendent Brown of the C.N.R. at Edmonton, left on Tuesday evening for Winnipeg, where he enters the office of General Superintendent of the C.N.R. Mr. Kirkpatrick has made many friends in Edmonton during the three years that he has lived in the city who will wish him success in his new field of labor.

The marriage of Miss Greta Walsh, daughter of Mr. W. L. Walsh, K.C., of Calgary, formerly of Orangeville, Ont., to Dr. George R. Pirie of the same place formerly of Dudas, Ont., will take place at Calgary on Wednesday, April 14th.

To each and all I wish a glad and joyous Easter!

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